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## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A purchasing system of the present invention is provided for buying consumer items from a communications network business through a communications network based on purchasing information gathered from a user environment in accordance with parameters provided by a user. The purchasing system includes a monitoring unit linked with the user environment and a purchasing unit linked with the monitoring unit. The monitoring unit obtains the purchasing information from the user environment in accordance with the user parameters. The purchasing unit generates a consumer item order by assessing the purchasing information. The purchasing system further includes a trader unit linked with the purchasing unit and the communications network. The trader unit selects a communications network business for the consumer item order.